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JACKSON 106, MISSISSIPPI

Dear John -

This is another one of those hurriedly written "reports," and if you think I am too presumptuous in thus forcing my concern of things upon you, please don't hesitate to say so - I'll understand.

Since writing you last I have made many contacts which have strengthened my original fears and views. Among these men, all of whom are against the "pressure" from the "top," are such persons as John Lumphkin, Loney Loe, Lena Brock, Bob Lambright, R.C. Russell, Jesse Hawks, and I am told Charles Hamilton and Jesse Byrd. I believe you will agree with me that these people and the Carl Craig, are a good index

MISSISSIPPI



JACKSON 106, MISSISSIPPI

Tuesday

Dear [redacted] -

The enclosed clippings were in one issue of the Jackson Daily News (Sunday post). The short notice about Eastland's visit appearing on front page. If I am not seeing things, these three articles appearing in one issue of the J. D. N., at the peak of the climate following the inaugural speech are most significant. The few long-ranged political thinkers with whom I have talked confidentially, agree with me.

I know when you do make a statement it will be only after giving due consideration to
(over)

the above thought, and the following points:

1. Your repeated statements as to your father's advice during your recent Campaign.
2. The eternal principles of right and wrong; justice and injustice; mercy and cruelty; freedom and man-freedom.
3. The Constitution, Bill of Rights, the recent decisions of The U.S. Supreme Court, and the force of education and the impact of history on the Conscience of mankind.
4. The recent "won for democracy" and the "four freedom" pronouncements.
5. The speech upon international

policy of any statement by a U.S. Senator with regard to human relationships.

6. The "tragedy" of a "cold war" between two great sections of the U.S. — now — when the course of humanity depends so much upon our behavior.
7. Mississippi will continue in the Democratic party — The so-called Democratic Executive Committee had the effort 4 yrs ago to take us out. They succeeded even in holding, in fact, a republican convention and selecting republican delegates and electors.

but we still want democracy,
the final vote (after all
their effort and paper support)
being about 168,000 to 11,000.
8. The people of Mississippi, if
given courageous, statesmanlike
leadership, made to see just
half of what is going on now,
will never support a bastard
political child from a shot-gun
marriage of vested interest and
Delta aristocracy when the old
man with the gun is the
National Republican Campaign Com-
mittee.

Sincerely yours


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February 20, 1948

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Jackson 106, Mississippi

Dear Friend ██████████

I certainly appreciate your letters and your counsel.
I regret not being able to see you in Mississippi, but my visit
was too hurried for me to see anything like the parties I wanted
to.

I shall appreciate hearing from you again and always
value your advice and suggestions and know that they are prompted
by the very highest motives.

Again thanking you and with very best wishes to you
and yours, I am

Your friend,

U. S. S.

JCS:vm